

To: All ORCA Partners

RE: National ORC Blitz Event

I would like to invite all ORCA's, Retail Crime Coalitions, and Law Enforcement organizations, to be a part of a first of its kind, National ORC Blitz event. Over the years, many of our groups have organized and/or participated in these ORC/retail crime suppression operations, bringing Law Enforcement and the private sector together to battle retail & financial crimes. In planning this event, we would like to strategize and coordinate with ORCA's and Law Enforcement jurisdictions from around the country. Not only will this be a great opportunity to proactively enforce the law and build intelligence, but hopefully this event will help bring visibility to the problem and provide an additional deterrence for these types of crimes.

Logistically, each jurisdiction would plan and execute their own operation locally, but we would all execute our ORC Blitz events on the same day, share basic results & relevant intelligence and then we would work together to publicize the successes of the operation. Showing national coordination between the private sector and Law Enforcement to fight fraud and battle retail crime will benefit us all. For the event, private sector partners would bring their professional teams to enhance surveillance of their respective businesses and be in communication and coordinate with law enforcement to identify and investigate crimes in real time. Once offenders are apprehended, any intelligence gained could then be used to immediately roll into further investigations.

The National ORC Blitz operation is set to take place on a TBD date in May 2025, but we would like to begin planning with all participating partners starting with a **kickoff call on March 19, 2025, at 11:00am CST**. If your ORCA, coalition, agency is interested in participating in this event or if you have any questions, please contact the CCROC board at <u>inquiry@ccroc.org</u> for the next steps. Thank you for your time and support. We look forward to working with you to make this event a success and hope it grows into an annual tradition!

Sincerely,

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